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VICE ADMIRAL RICHARD C. MACKE APPOINTED TO RESERVE FORCES POLICY BOARD

Secretary of Defense William Perry has announced the designation of Vice Admiral Richard C. Macke as a member of the Reserve Forces Policy Board. Admiral Macke has been the Director of the Joint Staff since December 1992.

The 22-member Reserve Forces Policy Board was created by Congress in 1954. Acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, the board serves as the principal policy advisor to the Secretary of Defense on reserve component matters. Members include the assistant secretary responsible for reserve affairs from each of the military departments, and active and reserve component general and flag officers representing all Services, including the Coast Guard.

Admiral Macke was commissioned upon graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy, June 1960, where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree. He was designated a Naval Aviator in August 1961. Admiral Macke has been a Navy test pilot and flew more than 150 combat missions in Southeast Asia. He has held many command positions.

His decorations and awards include: the Defense Superior Service Medal, four Legions of Merit, three Meritorious Service Medals, 14 strike/flight Air Medals, one individual Air Medal, two Navy Commendation Medals, a Navy Expeditionary Medal and various services and campaign medals.

Admiral Macke is married to the former Barbara Gabbe of Hollywood, Maryland. They have two children, Belinda and Melissa.

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